HU-25C Guardian 10/19/15

Aircraft:

HU-25A Guardian #525 (See full schedule)

Flight Number:

OIB2015 Arctic Helheim-Kangerdlugussuaq Gap B

Payload Configuration:

ATM & DMS

Nav Data Collected:

No

Total Flight Time:

3.9 hours

Submitted by:

Luci Crittenden on 10/19/15

Flight Segments:

From:	BGSF	То:	BGSF			
Start:	10/19/15 15:19 Z	Finish:	10/19/15 19:12 Z			
Flight Time:	3.9 hours					
Log Number:	16F002 PI: John Woods					
Funding Source:	Thomas Wagner - NASA - SMD - ESD Cryosphere & International Polar Year					
Purpose of Flight:	Science					
Comments:	The OIB HU-25 completed its second sortie for today, the Helheim-Kangerdludsussuaq Gap B mission. Weather permitting, we will fly another mission (or two) tomorrow, October 20.					

Flight Hour Summary:

	15F005	16F002
Flight Hours Approved in SOFRS	100	
Flight Hours Previously Approved		67.4
Total Used	32.6	65.3
Total Remaining		2.1

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Date	Fit #	Purpose of Flight	Duration	Running Total	Hours Remaining
10/05/15	OIB2015 Arctic Sea Ice Central	Science	3.6	3.6	63.8
10/05/15	OIB2015 Arctic Sea Ice East	Science	3.8	7.4	60
10/06/15	OIB2015 Arctic Ice-Sat2 North	Science	4	11.4	56
10/07/15	OIB2015 Arctic Transit Thule to Kangerlussuaq	Transit	2	13.4	54
10/08/15	OIB2015 Arctic Southwest Coastal A	Science	3.8	17.2	50.2
10/08/15	OIB2015 Arctic Thomas- Jakobshavn 01	Science	3.7	20.9	46.5
10/09/15	OIB2015 Arctic Umanaq B	Science	3.9	24.8	42.6
10/13/15	OIB2015 Arctic Jakobshavn Eqip Store	Science	2.9	27.7	39.7
10/13/15	OIB2015 Arctic Southeast Coastal A	Science	3.6	31.3	36.1
10/18/15	OIB2015 Arctic Southeast Coastal B	Science	4.1	35.4	32
10/19/15	OIB2015 Arctic Helheim- Kangerdlugussuaq	Science	3.7	39.1	28.3
10/19/15	OIB2015 Arctic Helheim- Kangerdlugussuaq Gap B	Science	3.9	43	24.4
10/20/15	OIB2015 Arctic Jakobshavn Mop- Up	Science	3.7	46.7	20.7

10/20/15	OIB2015 Arctic Southwest Coastal B	Science	3.7	50.4	17
10/21/15	OIB2015 Arctic Southwest Coastal C	Science	3.4	53.8	13.6
10/21/15	OIB2015 Arctic K-EGIG-Summit	Science	3.7	57.5	9.9
10/22/15	OIB2015 Arctic Mopup South	Science	2	59.5	7.9
10/22/15	OIB2015 Arctic Ferry BGSF-CYYR	Ferry	2.2	61.7	5.7
10/23/15	OIB2015 Arctic Ferry CYYR-KRIC	Ferry	3.3	65	2.4
10/23/15	OIB2015 Arctic Ferry CYYR-KRIC	Ferry	0.3	65.3	2.1

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Mission:

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Mission Summary:

Mission: Falcon Helheim-Kangerdlugssuaq Gap B (priority: low)

This mission is a shortened version of the Helheim Kangerdlugssuaq Gap B mission last flown in Spring 2015. In order to accommodate the shorter range of the Falcon jet, we reduced the number of coast-parallel lines from six to four, and also eliminated two glacier centerlines in the center of the region.

The crystal-clear morning weather over the Helheim and Kangerdlugssuaq Glaciers deteriorated somewhat during the middle of the day today, with some high-altitude haze and widely-scattered cirrus moving in to that area. Most of this was concentrated on the lowermost (easternmost) of the four survey lines between the two glaciers, and primarily to the north near Kangerdlugssuaq Glacier. ATM and DMS were able to see through most of it. We had fewer problems on the next three more inland lines. Overall we estimate successful data acquisition across more than 90% of the mission.

All instruments performed well today.

We conducted a ramp pass at 19,000' MSL just prior to landing.

Data volumes: DMS: 23.7 Gb

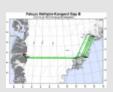
Narrow Swath ATM: 22 Gb

FLIR: 2.0 Gb

total data collection time: 3.7 hrs

Images:

Map of Falcon Helheim-Kangerdlugssuaq Gap B



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Upper Midgard Glacier



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Lower Kangerdlugsuaq Glacier



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Submitted by:

John Sonntag on 10/19/15

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Date	Fit #	Purpose of Flight	Duration	Running Total	Hours Remaining		
09/15/15	OIB #1	Check	2.7	2.7	97.3		
09/20/15	OIB #2, 3, 4	Ferry	2.7	5.4	94.6		
09/21/15	OIB #2, 3, 4	Ferry	2.3	7.7	92.3		
09/21/15	OIB #2, 3, 4	Ferry	2	9.7	90.3		
09/23/15	OIB2015 Arctic North Central Gap 02	Science	3.9	13.6	86.4		
09/24/15	OIB2015 Arctic Northwest Coastal A	Science	3.7	17.3	82.7		

09/28/15 OIB2015 Arctic Sea Ice West Science 3.7 24.8 75.2 09/30/15 OIB2015 Arctic North Central Gap 01 Science 3.9 28.7 71.3 09/30/15 OIB2015 Arctic Zachariae-79N Science 3.9 32.6 67.4	09/25/15	OIB2015 Arctic Northwest Coastal B	Science	3.8	21.1	78.9
09/30/15 Central Gap 01 Science 3.9 28.7 71.3 OB2015 Arctic Zachariae- Science 3.9 32.6 67.4	09/28/15		Science	3.7	24.8	75.2
109/30/15 Science 3.9 32.6 67.4	09/30/15		Science	3.9	28.7	71.3
	09/30/15		Science	3.9	32.6	67.4